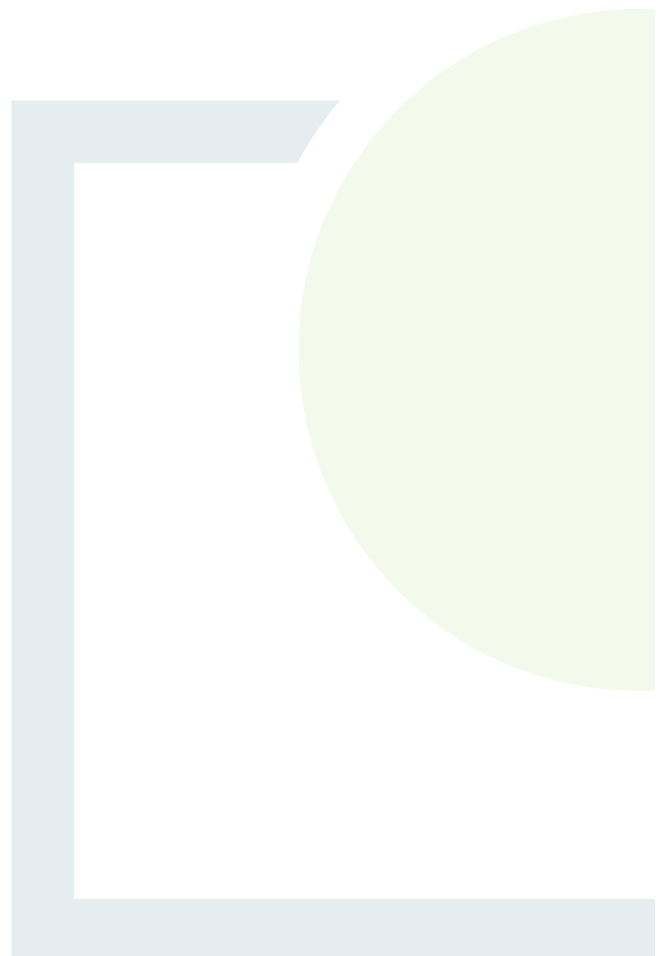




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Appendix 12.1

Hydrology Field
Observations



Hydrology Field Observations Shancloon Wind Farm

Introduction

Field assessment of the existing hydrological environment of the proposed Shancloon Wind Farm was undertaken on 18th to 21st January 2022, and on 25th and 26th June 2024. Findings are summarised hereunder.

Overview

The proposed development lands are characterized as a mosaic of bog habitats (cutover and raised) and agricultural grassland with extensive land drainage, a portion of which is managed and maintained under the Arterial Drainage Act as part of the Corrib Headford scheme.

Figures 1 and 2 hereunder show typical drainage patterns encountered on site.

Land and bog drainage flow direction within the Site is towards the BLACK (SHRULE)_010 (Togher) river (see Figure 3).



Figure 1: *Example of drainage network associated with cutover bog habitat*



Figure 2: *Example of drainage network associated with agricultural grasslands*

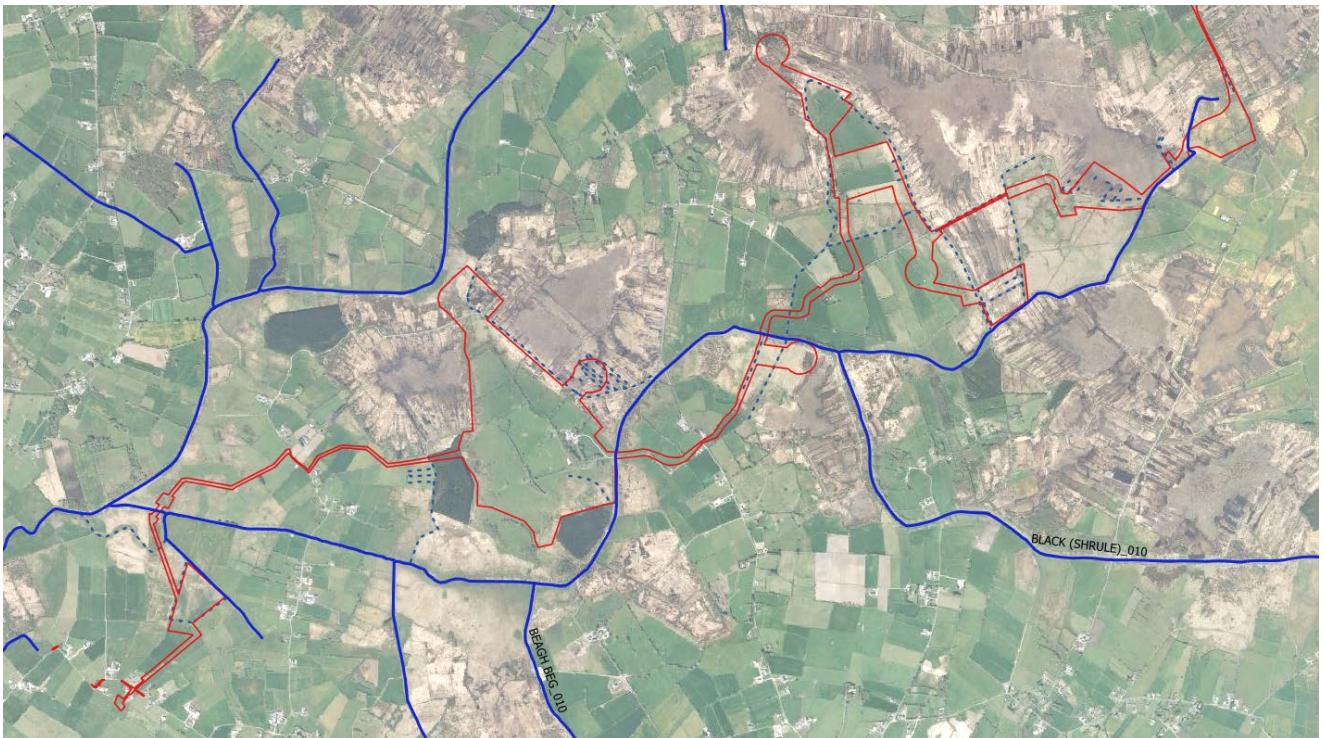






Figure 3: *Existing land drainage on site*



The proposed development will require the construction of one new bridge crossing and 14 new culvert crossings. The hydrological features at these locations are shown in Table 1.



Table 1: Hydrology at Drain / Watercourse crossings

| Watercourse Crossing Ref | ITM Coordinates | | Width at Base (m) | Width at top of bank (m) | Bank Height (m) | Depth of Water (m) | Type of Crossing | Site Photos |
|--------------------------|-----------------|------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|---|---|
| WC01 | 533089.53, | 754307.53 | 8.83 | 17.28 | 3.84 | 0.74 | 18.5m slab length clear-span bridge on Togher River |  |
| CV01 | 532044.8643 | 753994.955 | 2.8 | 3.5 | 4.0 | 3.2 | Upgrade of existing piped culvert on land drain used for turbary access |  |
| CV02 | 532051.1549 | 753526.061 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 0 | piped culvert on land drain |  |


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| | | | | | | | | |
| CV03 | 533228.5454 | 754414.8103 | 1.42 | 2.8 | 1.8 | 0.62 | Upgrade existing farm access piped culvert on land drain |  |
| CV04 | 533543.7619 | 754815.8888 | 0.8 | 4.1 | 1.5 | 0.44 | piped culvert on land drain |  |
| CV05 | 533324.1022 | 755645.1961 | 0.46 | 1.4 | 1.33 | 0.52 | piped culvert on land drain | |

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| CV06 | 533874.0242 | 754968.9821 | 1.14 | 3.64 | 1.53 | 0.48 | Upgrade existing farm access piped culvert on land drain |  |
| CV07 | 534245.0059 | 754535.1195 | 0.54 | 2.87 | 0.8 | 0.35 | piped culvert on land drain |  |

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|--------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| CV08 | 534419.3487 | 755076.0733 | 0.78 | 3.5 | 1.82 | 0.38 | pipcd culvert on land drain |  |
| CV09 | 534699.8902 | 755083.9407 | 0.51 | 0.51 | 0.1 | 0 | pipcd culvert on land drain |  |

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|--------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--|--|
| CV10 | 534787.3713 | 755074.1173 | 1.2 | 1.2 – 4.5 | 0.2 | 0 | pipd culvert on land drain |  |
| CV11 | 534764.4714 | 755050.5955 | 1.27 | 4.07 | 1.25 | 0.42 | pipd culvert – replace existing 600mm diameter culvert on land drain |  |

| Watercourse Crossing Ref | ITM Coordinates | | Width at Base (m) | Width at top of bank (m) | Bank Height (m) | Depth of Water (m) | Type of Crossing | Site Photos |
|--------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--|--|
| CV12 | 534932.3086 | 755031.4635 | 0.6 | 4.17 | 1.2 | 0.34 | pipcd culvert – upgrade of existing drain crossing on land drain |  |
| CV13 | 535338.3095 | 755225.2358 | 2.2 | 4.53 | 1.97 | 0.75 | pipcd culvert on land drain | <div>Aerial Image</div>  |

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|--------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|---|---|
| CV14 | 535417.3152 | 755371.7636 | 2.6 | 4.01 | 1.82 | 0.7 | piped culvert on BLACK (SHRULE)_010 river | Aerial Image |
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